

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER, 1782. 9

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 27, 1782.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THIS house is ready to go into a ballot for delegates to congress for the ensuing year, and have appointed Mr. Weems, Mr. Hindman, and Mr. Lloyd, to join such members of your house as your honours may nominate to examine the ballot boxes. The following gentlemen are put in the nomination by this house, viz. Daniel Carroll, Edward Giles, William Hemsley, Samuel Hanson son of Samuel, Thomas Sim Lee, Richard Ridgely, and William Bruff, Esquires.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read, and the following message, in answer thereto, sent to the house of delegates by John Smith, Esq;

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 27, 1782.

GENTLEMEN,

WE are ready to go immediately into the appointment of delegates to congress for the ensuing year, and have nominated John Henry and John Smith, Esquires, to examine the ballot boxes, in conjunction with the members named by you. Nathaniel Ramtey and James Lloyd, Esquires, are named by this house to be balloted for in addition to those mentioned by you.

By order, J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

The senate proceeded to ballot for delegates to congress; the ballot box was prepared, the ballots deposited therein, sealed up, and delivered to the committee of this house appointed to meet the committee of the house of delegates, who retired to the conference room, and after some time returned and reported, that Thomas Sim Lee, Daniel Carroll, William Hemsley, and Edward Giles, Esquires, had a majority of votes. Whereupon it is declared in the senate, That Thomas Sim Lee, Daniel Carroll, William Hemsley, and Edward Giles, Esquires, are duly elected delegates to congress for the ensuing year.

Messieurs Duval and Wheeler, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following resolutions:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 27, 1782.

The address in behalf of the visitors and governors of *Washington* college, and their declaration of trust, with the list of the subscriptions towards founding and supporting the said college, and copies of the letter from the said visitors to his Excellency general Washington, and his answer, being read,

RESOLVED, That the visitors of Kent county school have exerted themselves with a laudable diligence and address, in the execution of the trust committed to them for founding the said college.

RESOLVED, That the numerous subscribers towards the college have given an exemplary proof of their zeal for the honour and interest of their country, by contributing so freely and liberally towards the establishment of a general seminary for the advancement of knowledge, virtue, and public spirit.

RESOLVED, That the declaration of trust by the visitors and governors of the said college, is an acceptable pledge and assurance, that they will continue to exert their utmost zeal and abilities in carrying on and completing the establishment of a seminary so successfully begun, and which promises to be of public utility to the present and future generations.

RESOLVED, That their exertions merit the approbation of the legislature, and (when circumstances will permit) ought to receive their public encouragement and assistance.

RESOLVED, That the exalted and patriotic sentiments contained in the letter of his Excellency general *Washington*, in answer to the letter of the visitors of Kent county school, and the polite manner in which he hath been pleased to accept the honourable intentions of the general assembly, in dignifying the college with his name, are proofs of that goodness and greatness of soul by which he is actuated in all his conduct.

RESOLVED, That the several papers upon which these resolutions are founded be entered on the journals of assembly, and be published with the same, in honour to the first founders, benefactors, and patrons, of this seminary.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which were read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates by Charles Carroll, Barrister, Esq;

In consequence of the above resolutions, the several following papers were ordered to be entered on the journals of the senate.

To the honourable the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of MARYLAND.

WE the subscribers, agreeable to our appointment by "the visitors and governors of *Washington* college in the state of Maryland," and on their behalf, beg leave to present to the general assembly, the instrument of writing or declaration of trust required by law, as the condition upon which the operation of their charter is to commence.